DEAD WITH HIM

2 Tim 2:11

2 Timothy 2:11 Popular saying in <u>early</u> church.

Faithful saying: 3 times.

1 Timothy 1:15; 1 Timothy 4:8-9; 2 Timothy 2:11

Something rely on. Same forever. Never change.

Not put disclaimer on it.

Not lose impact, bite, truth, <u>credibility</u>.

Consists of two epigrams (concise, clever, often paradoxical statement).

First: want victory and desire to reign with Christ.

Second: choose to <u>deny</u> Christ and live life of unbelief.

First Axiom: *For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him:* Key to Christian's life--identify with <u>death</u> of Christ.

Romans 6:1-12; Colossians 3:1-5; Galatians 2:20; Romans 8:13; Galatians 5:24 3 tenses of salvation?

Saved from penalty...power...presence

Positional (justification); present (<u>sanctification</u>); Future (glorification)

3 Tenses of death

God allows children to come to <u>end</u> of themselves

Christ says to you, If you cannot trust me in all the rooms of your life, I cannot accept any of the keys...

Dr. Meyer: Come back, Lord! Come back! Take the keys to all the rooms of my life!

Gutzke: The call into spiritual life is by way of dying unto self and living unto God... The wonderful thing about that is while I may need to commit myself to die, I do not have to arouse myself to get up from the dead. If I yield myself to God He will raise me from the dead. If I yield myself to God in any given situation and simply let Him work out His will, he will make out of me something I was not before. It will be better with me because of what God does.

John 3:30

Wherein lies victory?

Reason for conflicts--never learned to be dead with Him and to <u>live</u> with Him.

Never learned
We <u>can't</u> because we are dead
He can because He is <u>alive</u>

Yielding Personal Rights (IBLP)

- 1. <u>Identify</u> personal rights
- 2. Mortify personal rights.
- 3. Transfer personal rights to God.
- 4. Transfer ownership of all to God.

SO WHAT?

Sense of inadequacy and <u>failure</u>
Get out of <u>driver's</u> seat.
Give Jesus keys to <u>all</u> rooms.
Choose to die to self & sin and <u>live</u> unto Christ Transfer rights and self to God

A Prayer: Father, thank you for forgiving my sins and giving me new life in Christ. From this moment on, I choose to have your son, Jesus Christ, live His life in and through me. Right now I am choosing to consider myself dead to sin and all fleshly actions which break my fellowship with you. The best I know how I yield my total being and heart to you as an instrument of righteousness, allowing no part of me to be used for sin. Thank you for showing me that I can't do it but you can. Glorify yourself through me... In Jesus' name, AMEN.

2 Timothy 2:11 It is a faithful saying: For if we be dead with him, we shall also live with him: